1	2	3	4	5
4.	भरूच	254	462	165
5.	बड़ौदा	250	376	165
6.	पंचमहल	350	380	165
7.	खेड़ा	210	375	161
8.	साबरकांठा . . .	445	466	165
9.	अहमदाबाद . . .	299	283	165
10.	सुरेन्द्र नगर . . .	286	192	240
11.	मेहसाणा	377	443	169
12.	बनासकांठा . . .	280	343	165
13.	राजकोट	344	392	205
14.	अमरेली	27	172	166
15.	जूनागढ़	261	501	256
16.	भावनगर	468	394	170
17.	जामनगर	254	274	178
18.	कच्छ	144	301	110
19.	गांधीनगर	—	—	30
	कुल :	4780	6340	3170

Streamlining the procedure for sanctioning Power Projects

6104. SHRI T. VENKATRAM REDDY:

SHRI G. PRATHAPA REDDY:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to streamline the procedure for giving sanction to private power projects; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILA CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) and (b). Evey power project (private and public sector) has to obtain a number of statutory/non-statutory clearances from different Central/State agencies. The Government have taken a number of steps to streamline the procedures which include creation of an Investment Promotion Cell in the Ministry of Power as a nodal agency, exclusively to provide information and assistance to prospective entrepreneurs to facilitate clearances and a High Powered Board headed by the Cabinet Secretary which, inter-alia, is empowered to issue directives for expediting clearances for the projects. The existing arrangements have been functioning satisfactorily so far.

Earthquake Threat to Tehri Dam

6105. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that world Geophysicists have warned that an earthquake of intensity 8 to 9 on the Richter scale is likely to occur near the Tehri dam;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Tehri dam is under construction in the earthquake-prone area of the country;

(c) if so, the reasons for selecting the present site for construction of dam inspite of the warning;

(d) whether Government propose to reconsider the whole issue; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILA CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) As per press reports, an American Geophysicist has warned that the Central Himalayas in India are due to suffer an earthqake of the magnitude 8 or 9 on the Richfer Scale. The Tehri Dam site is located in the Western Himalayas and not Central Himalayas.

(b) and (c) Although, Tehri Dam is situated in Himalayas which are earthquake prone, the dam has been designed to withstand the possible occurance of an earthquake of magniture 8 plus on the Richter Scale. As the whole of Himalayas are earthquake prone, storage dams being built in the region incorporate seismically safe designs. While selecting the Tehri Dam site, care has been taken that it is in a relatively better Seismo Tectonic set up.

(d) and (e) Does not arise in view of above.

Power Situation in Andhra Pradesh

6106. SHRI T. VENKATRAM REDDY:

SHRI G. PRATHAPA REDDY:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a wide gap between demand and availability of power in Andhra Pradesh at present;

(b) if so, the steps taken to bridge the gap;

(c) the details of total installed capacity and actual generation of power from Andhra Pradesh State Electricity Board and Central Power Projects; and

(d) the details of the new power projects being set up|proposed to be set up in that State during the Eighth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILA CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) During the periol April, 1994 March, 1995 the energy shortage in Andhra Pradesh was 8 per cent.

(b) In order to bridge the gap between demand and availability of power in Andhra Pradesh, various measures being taken include-expediting the commissioning of new generating capacity, implementation of short gestation projects, improving the performance of existing power stations, reduction of T and D losses, implementation of better demand management and energy conservation measures. Assistance have also been arranged for Andhra Pradesh from Eastern and Western Regions.

(c) The details of installed capacity vis-a-vis actual generation during 1994-95